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Re: Patent Application  
Title: "USER-CONSTRAINED OPTICAL ROUTE FLOODING  
SYSTEM AND METHOD"  
Our Reference: 57983.000037  
Your Reference: 13527RO

Dear GQ:

As we discussed, enclosed please find a copy of a draft of the above-identified patent application for your review. Also enclosed are formal documents: a Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney form and an Assignment form.

Please review the patent application for accuracy and completeness, and then execute (i.e., sign and date) the formal documents where indicated. Please note that the Assignment needs to be executed in the presence of a Witness.

After you have completed your review, please return the draft to me. The patent application will then be placed in a condition for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), and a final version of the patent application will be sent to you for execution.

Also, pursuant to USPTO rules, a statement must be submitted disclosing to the USPTO all presently known information believed material to the examination of the above-identified patent application. Information is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that the information would be considered important in deciding patentability. Accordingly, please send for my review all presently known patents, publications, or other published materials

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relating to the subject invention. Please note that you are not required to do any research to locate information that is not already known by you.

Accurate and complete disclosure of material information facilitates the examination phase of the patent application, and most importantly, strengthens the presumption of validity accorded any patent issuing thereon.

If you have any questions concerning the review of the patent application or the submission of material information, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at the above-listed number.

Sincerely yours,



Kerry H. Owens

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Enclosure

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